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Colorado Wing member killed in glider crash

DURANGO, Co. July 8, 2011 - A member of the Colorado Wing Civil Air Patrol, Capt. Jim McCann, 79, of Durango, Co. lost his life in the crash of a Pipistrel Taurus motorized glider on a local golf course. The accident occurred at 4:35 p.m. (CMT).

The Durango Herald reports that McCann was instrumental in selling two of the motorized gliders to the U.S. Air Force Academy. He is also credited with making a 7,000 mile trip from the factory in Brazil, to Durango, and a 6,000 mile trip from Durango to California, to Kitty Hawk, NC, and back again.

McCann was a retired U.S. Air Force pilot.

No additional details are available at this time. The Durango Herald story may be viewed at:
<http://durangoherald.com/article/20110710/NEWS01/707109877/-1/s>.